

## THE WORLD'S PAST

## But Brooklyn Is Still on Short Allowance of Water.

## Bridge Cable Engines Drawing Their Supply from a Well.

## Many Factories Able to Get Up Steam This Afternoon.

## The Break in the Conduit Partly Repaired and Another Body Recovered.

The danger of water famine in Brooklyn is past, but thousands of citizens are still greatly inconvenienced by the shortage of water and it will probably be nightfall before all the mains are full enough to furnish everybody with a supply for their needs.

Although it was claimed that water had been pumped from the Ridgewood engine house, at the rate of 80,000,000 gallons a day since midnight, there were many houses, stores and factories in which not more than a tiny stream could be obtained this morning, and in these places the situation was not less serious than yesterday.

The tie-up on the Ridgewood and Fifth avenues line of the Union elevated system continued, and up to noon no trains had been run over these branches. There was no water for the locomotives.

People living along these lines were compelled to take the surface cars this morning. The horse cars were overcrowded, and they made such slow time that many people were late making their appearance at business.

There was no water in the mains which supply the bridge engine boilers, and the cable was run by the public-spiritedness of the firm of Ketchum & McLaughlin at Washington and York streets, who permitted Bridge Supt. Martin to draw water from their artesian well. The water was carried by hose over house-tops to a temporary tank erected in the engine-house yard.

Many factories are still unable to get a supply for their boilers and consequently the workmen were again sent away idle this morning.

At the Fire Department Headquarters Deputy Commissioner Moore said the firemen were closely watching the pressure in the hydrants in the vicinity of the engine-houses, and from reports received he believed there would be no great difficulty experienced to-day in fighting fires.

The mains supplied water in sections, and a strange feature of it was that water would be found in one block and not in the next. One side of Fulton street would have water in plenty, while the other side would be as dry as yesterday.

But for the rain of yesterday, which many householders took advantage of to collect a supply of water, there would have been almost as much distress in some sections this morning as there was yesterday.

THE CRISIS IS PAST. Deputy City Works Commissioner Murtha at 10 o'clock this morning. At the present time there ought to be 32,000,000 gallons of water in the reservoirs, enough to supply householders throughout the city.

"The pumps have a capacity of 80,000,000 gallons a day and by nightfall there should be at least thirty million gallons in the reservoirs. Yesterday there was less than three feet. The danger is past and there will be no more trouble."

But Inspector Powers received word this morning that two of the three pumps at Ridgewood were working, and that a good head of water was being forced into the pipes.

The City Works Department this morning sent word to the janitors of public schools that they could begin their work again, provided there was enough water to fill their boilers.

At the school book publishing house of A. E. Barnes & Co., in Nassau street, Brooklyn, an Evening World reporter was informed that the firm had been told that the Water Works' office to learn when they could expect a supply of water, their men having been idle since yesterday.

The engineers at the city engine houses were also waiting for water to start their boilers. Bridge Supt. Martin said that Ketchum & McLaughlin's artesian well had supplied 12,000 gallons an hour, while only 1,200 gallons an hour were required for the bridge cable engines, and that the cable could run all day, even though the city mains did not furnish a supply.

THE UNION "L" DRAWS ON GREENWOOD. General Manager Martin of the Union L. Road, said he could not understand why the road did not get water for his locomotives at the Ridgewood engine house, which is situated on the line of the road, and that the pumps were furnishing so much water that the road could draw as much as it wanted.

At the Fifth Avenue line, where the water was being pumped from the Ridgewood reservoir, and by before 1 o'clock traffic was resumed.

It is expected that trains will begin running on the Ridgewood line at 1 o'clock this afternoon. General Manager Martin has been offered water for his locomotives by the owners of artesian wells at Ridgewood, Fulton Ferry and Washington street.

Comptroller Adams and Chief Engineer Van Hook were out at Ridgewood this morning directing the work of repairing the broken conduit, which was got into shape last night by pouring a quantity of water to flow through it and raise the fountains.

ANOTHER BODY FOUND AT THE BREAK. While they were there another body was recovered from the wreck. A gang of laborers were shoveling sand out of the broken conduit near the corner of Pine street when they struck a hard substance.

Upon shoveling away the earth they discovered the body of a man. After the remains were removed out of Crawford & Van Hook's foreman was called and he identified the body as that of Hugh Murphy, who was killed eight years ago, of liberty avenue and 17th street.

The police removed the body to Murphy's late home and Coroner Lindsay was notified. All day yesterday a big gang of laborers were at work at the site of the accident, and the offer of \$1 a day for laborers brought all the men in the city to the scene, many being taken to the scene by special trains, various driven at breakfast speed.

At 6 o'clock news was sent to Police Headquarters that householders should be notified immediately to get a supply of water, as the water was being pumped from the Ridgewood reservoir, and that the water was being pumped from the Ridgewood reservoir, and that the water was being pumped from the Ridgewood reservoir.

Had an hour later word was sent that the pumps in the Ridgewood station would be started before 8 o'clock.

It was said yesterday all day at the broken conduit. Fully 350 men were at work shoveling out the sand that had crushed in the conduit.

With the aid of steam derricks the great mass of sand was lifted out of the breach, and at 4 o'clock last night the entire length of the broken part of the conduit was cleared.

There was then about two inches of water in the conduit, and with this removed the small amount of sand still remaining, and at 5 o'clock a rushing sound was

## FOREIGN NEWS BY CABLE.

## Big Conservative Conference Opened at Birmingham.

## Another Socialist Goes to the Reichstag—M. de Giers in Berlin.

## Flames Destroy Over \$100,000 Worth of Brooklyn Property.

## Residents of Two Districts Put in a Night of Terror.

## Flames were still blazing at 10 o'clock this morning in the great burning building at 200 and 202 street, Brooklyn, which caught fire shortly before midnight and at one time threatened a general conflagration in that part of the city.

Owing to the failure of the water supply the firemen were almost powerless at first, and the fire gained such headway that when two streams were finally brought from the front street, away down in the East River, it was found impossible to save the building.

The two adjoining buildings at 200 and 202 street, were also attacked by the flames, and were saved from total destruction with difficulty and only after much damage had been done.

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## CITY NEWS TERSELY TOLD.

## To-Day's Record of Minor Happenings About Town.

## Hurt at the Grand Street Ferry.

## Employee Turned Burglar.

## Funeral of Banker Richard King.

## Schwartz Charged with Arson.

## Suspected of Murder in Maryland.

## Bloomingdale Employees Danced.

## Furnished Himself to a Towel Rack.

## Recovered Damages from His Employers.

## Gen. Campo's Trial Postponed.

## Battered on the Atlantic.

## Used Burglars' Tools on a Chicken Coop.

## Who Is This Old Woman?

## Believe Officials Disclaim Any Knowledge of Her.

## Five Years for Barrett.

## The Life-Saver Sentenced for Clubbing a Policeman.

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Clerks and carriers were placed under surveillance in the facilities where complaints were made, and as a result, the Inspector has tagged considerable game in the shape of thieving post-office attendants, who are now jailed awaiting trial for their offenses against the postal laws.

The latest catch is Matthew F. McGrath, twenty-three years old, of 29 Roosevelt street, who was employed as a clerk in the Foreign Mail Department in the basement of the General Post-Office.

McGrath had been working in the department for six years. It was his duty to gather the morning mail posted at the office, and to deliver it to the carriers.

For some time there have been complaints that many registered letters and packages mailed to European addresses have failed to reach their destinations, and Supt. Augustus Maze set a watch on McGrath.

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